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METHODS OF TEST FOR POLYVINYL CHLORIDE BOOTS PART 3 DETERMINATION OF RELATIVE DENSITY

1. Scope — This standard (Part 3) prescribes the test procedure for determination of the relative density of components for polyvinyl chloride boots.

2. Apparatus

- 2.1 Balance Weighing to 1 mg.
- 2.2 Balance Straddle A pan straddle of convenient size to support the beaker and permit determination of the mass of the test piece in water.
- 2.3 Beaker 250-ml capacity or smaller if necessary depending on the design of the balance.
- 2.4 Copper Wire Approximately 0'1 mm in diameter.

3. Test Method

3.1 Preparation and Conditioning of Test Piece — The test piece shall have a surface, free from crevices as far as possible, weighing around 5 g. The test piece shall then be conditioned to a moisture equilibrium in an atmosphere of 65 ± 5 percent relative humidity and temperature 27 \pm 2°C [seeIS:196-1966 'Atmospheric condition for testing (revised)'] for 24 hours prior to testing.

4. Procedure

4.1 Suspend the test piece from the hook on one side of the balance using a suitable length of wire, so that the bottom of the test piece does not touch the bottom of the beaker and then weigh. Counter balance the wire previously by a length of the wire on the other pan. Repeat the weighing with the test piece completely immersed in the freshly boiled and cooled distilled water to a temperature of $27 \pm 2^{\circ}$ C, in a beaker. Allow sufficient time for the test piece to attain the temperature of the water. Make sure that there are no air bubbles on the surface of the specimen and the wire while immersed in water.

5. Calculation

5.1 Calculate the relative density as follows:

Relative density (27/27°C) =
$$\frac{M_1}{M_1 - M_2}$$

where,

 M_1 = mass in g of test piece in air, and M_2 = mass in g of test piece in water.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This standard has been published in various parts as follows:

IS: 12240 Methods of test for polyvinyl chloride boots:

Part 1 Measurement of thickness:

Part 2 Determination of durometer hardness, Shore A;

Part 3 Determination of relative density;

Part 4 Determination of volatility;

Part 5 Determination of lead content;

Part 6 Determination of tensile strength and elongation at break;

Part 7 Flexing test resistance to cut growth for soling material; and

Part 8 Resistance to flexing for polyvinyl chloride upper material.

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